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In the news

Ex-cop
guilty
of theft

A former Philadelphia police officer pleaded guilty on Thursday to stealing \$352 from a panhandler. Kevin Workman admitted to stealing from the man, who was actually an undercover officer. Authorities set up the operation after receiving complaints about Workman from two other victims. **METRO**

In the news



Rider illness

Students and employees at Rider University's Lawrenceville and Princeton, N.J., campuses were still reporting symptoms of a gastrointestinal illness Thursday afternoon, according to the school's website. The illness, likely caused by a norovirus, resulted in 40 students seeking medical attention early Thursday. While usually not serious, the virus is contagious. **METRO**



Nutter

City, district agree to keep schools open

City and school officials announced a deal on Thursday to prevent disruption to recreation programs for more than 12,000 kids.

The School District of Philadelphia planned to close buildings on weekends start-

ing Saturday and an hour earlier on weekdays to save money, which would have affected nonschool-related sports leagues and other activities.

"The city will work with the district and consolidate recreation programs from 83

locations to 48," Mayor Michael Nutter said.

The city is contributing \$175,000 to keep the programs afloat on weekends and until 9 p.m. on weekdays. The compromise will save the district \$1.2 million, as opposed

to the \$1.6 million they would have saved from cutting the programs altogether, city officials said.

The district still faces a \$40 million budget hole this year and Nutter said more cuts are expected. **METRO/AW**



Mancuso

Funeral
home
theft
solved

SOUTH PHILADELPHIA. A South Philadelphia man has been charged with stealing from a funeral home last month.

John Mancuso, 50, from Porter Street near Eighth, is accused of stealing \$400 from Carto's Funeral Home on the 2200 block of South Broad Street on Jan. 11. Police arrested Mancuso without incident on Feb. 4 following an anonymous tip. He is charged with theft and related offenses. **METRO**

Creep
nabbed

NORTH JERSEY. The alleged "Office Creeper," accused of stealing from office buildings in suburban Philadelphia, was arrested by U.S. Marshals in Morris County, N.J., on Thursday, officials said.

Gerald Broadwater, 61, allegedly struck at least 10 buildings in Fort Washington and has been sought for thefts in New Jersey, North Carolina and Georgia. **METRO**

Opening doors for kids
of incarcerated parents

► Miss America 2012 recalls the embarrassment of having a parent in prison ► Elected officials vow to provide support for affected youths



► Miss America 2012 Lauren Kaeppler's father served a year in jail for mail fraud when she was 17.

The glitz of pageantry and the grit of prisons represent two separate worlds that are seemingly irreconcilable. But this year's Miss America, Lauren Kaeppler of Kenosha, Wisc., was in Philadelphia on Thursday to unite the two.

Kaeppler appeared at City Hall with the Pennsylvania Prison Society to help present a report, "The Effects of Parental Incarceration on Children." Her own father served 12 months in a federal penitentiary for mail fraud when she was 17 and she competed on the platform of helping children with incarcerated parents.

"No matter the crime, no matter the reason your parents are in prison, children feel the same," she said, recounting how embarrassed and isolated she and her sisters, aged 11 and 14 at the time, felt.

The report, generated by a joint state government committee, makes concrete recommendations to help remedy some of those emotions for children in the 100,000 households with incarcerated parents in Pennsylvania. The state's prison population has increased 535 percent over

Suggestions

The report focuses on making it easier to keep children connected with their imprisoned parents, through several methods:

- Assisting with transportation to help diminish the cost and difficulty posed by distance.
- Making child-friendly prison visiting areas and allowing alternative communication like video chat and e-mail.
- Forming and urging participation in support groups.

the past 30 years.

State Rep. Cherelle Parker and Sen. Stewart Greenleaf joined Mayor Michael Nutter and members of Philadelphia's City Council to announce that many of the suggestions would be written into policy.

"We have to find a way to make it work," Parker said. "All branches of government are going to have to work hard on this issue."



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Hearings on
bail for violent
crime

CITY HALL. City Council is expected to hold hearings examining bail practices in

gun possession cases to determine how violent criminals fall through the cracks.

"When someone tries to show you they are violent, believe them the first time," sponsor Councilman Curtis Jones Jr. said Thursday. **METRO/AW**

Girl, 6,
assaulted

KENSINGTON. Authorities are searching for a man who sexually assaulted a 6-year-old girl Thursday around the 3400 block of E Street.

The suspect is described as 5 foot 10 inches to 6 feet in his early 20s with a light complexion, a beard and star tattoos under both eyes. He was last seen wearing jeans and a brown Carhartt jacket.

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PHILLY'S A BARGAIN IF YOU KNOW WHERE TO SHOP

Riders again court love on the rails

► While Mural Arts brings personality, SEPTA makes the moves ► Ride open to new couples and newlyweds

Love is nothing like what we see in the movies — unless you're taking SEPTA. Over the years, the transit system, in collaboration with the city's Mural Arts Program, has furnished many a fairytale romance.

The partnership's offering, the Love Train, will be making its yearly appearance Sunday with both honeys and hopefuls aboard. The privately chartered, specially decorated train guides passengers through the Love Letter project, a series of more than 50 murals coloring the architecture of West Philadelphia.

The event takes place two days before Valentine's Day—just enough time to exchange bashful glances with a stranger on the commute, flirt over candlelit dinner, and fall head over heels in love.

For Jemetra Harvey, however, 48 hours didn't quite cut it. In fact, she spent sever-



► Jemetra and Michael

al years faithfully boarding the Route 31 bus, savoring her encounters with operator Michael Gordon.

Rather than taking the trolley, Harvey voluntarily doubled her daily commuting time. "I saw him looking at me in the mirror. We always smiled at each other," she said. Small victories grew into "good mornings, thank yous," ultimately fostering courage for conversation.

"We've just been like fireworks ever since," Harvey

said. They are now happily engaged, having since united with their own children into a family of five.

It's no surprise that their submission received the top vote in this year's SEPTA Love Stories contest, which singled out 14 from more than 50 candidate-couples for a free ride on Sunday.

SEPTA spokeswoman Heather Redfern noted the diversity of entries, saying, "From people who have only been together for a few months to those married for well over 30 years, it shows that love's out there when you least expect it, no matter who you are or the kind of person you're looking for."

The Love Train departs from SEPTA headquarters Sunday at 3 p.m., followed by a reception at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person.

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Sweets for your sweetheart

Tired of going the flowers-from-the-supermarket route? Rachel Goldberg at Teuscher in the Shops at the Bellevue shows off a tray of goodies. Consumers are expected to shell out more for Valentine's Day than they have in the last decade, experts say.

W. Catholic president resigns

PHILADELPHIA. West Philadelphia Catholic High president, Brother Timothy Ahern, resigned Thursday after he was overwhelmed by complaints over not appealing the archdiocese's decision to shutter the school.

According to a statement from the archdiocese, Ahern decided not to appeal the Blue Ribbon Commission's recommendation because "he did not wish to raise false hopes." The release said the decision led to an "untenable atmosphere" for Ahern within the school.

Ahern had served as president at the school for the last seven years and served on the faculty from 1971 to 1979. Assistant Superintendent of Schools Thomas Rooney will serve as acting president for the remainder of the school year. **METRO/AW**

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FBI: Steve Jobs a drug dabbler, wasn't too nice

Apple co-founder Steve Jobs, hailed as one of the greatest technology visionaries of his generation, dabbled in illicit drugs in his youth and alienated colleagues — yet commanded universal respect, according to interviews conducted by the FBI in the 1990s.

A series of interviews with friends and associates — whose names were redacted — painted a familiar picture of a technology visionary who intimidated associates and insisted on getting his way, but whose drive and vision inspired admiration.

The FBI in 1991 began questioning Jobs and associates as the increasingly high-profile CEO began to be considered as a candidate for sensitive, presidential appointments.

Jobs himself admitted in a

“Several individuals questioned Mr. Jobs’ honesty, stating that Mr. Jobs will twist the truth and distort reality in order to achieve his goals.”

FBI SUMMARY

1991 interview that he had experimented with hashish and LSD in his youth.

According to the FBI, other interviewees called into question his personal integrity and said that he was difficult to work with. Yet the majority of those interviewed recommended Jobs as fit for government.

REUTERS

Military. New rules



► Under new rules expected from the Defense Department, about 14,000 new military jobs will be open to women.

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Women getting closer to combat

The Pentagon is preparing to open thousands of military jobs including medics and intelligence officers to women in the U.S. Army and Marine Corps, a move likely to shift them closer to the fighting and rekindle the debate on women in combat. **REUTERS**

Banks settle accusations of mortgage abuse: \$25B

WASHINGTON. Five big U.S. banks accused of abusive mortgage practices have agreed to a \$25 billion government settlement that may help roughly one million borrowers but is no magic bullet for the ailing housing market.

The record state-federal settlement will spread relief widely in the form of mortgage relief and \$2,000 payments to borrowers who lost their homes to foreclosure.

It will also release the banks — Bank of America Corp., Wells Fargo & Co.,

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Under the deal, roughly 750,000 borrowers who lost their homes to foreclosure between 2008 and 2011 can expect to receive a \$2,000 cash payment.

JPMorgan Chase & Co., Citigroup Inc and Ally Financial Inc. — from civil government claims over faulty foreclosures and mishandling of requests for loan modifications. **REUTERS**

New US nuclear plants approved

ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND. Regulators on Thursday approved plans to build the first new nuclear power plant in more than 30 years, despite objections of the panel's chairman who cited safety concerns stemming from Japan's 2011

Fukushima disaster.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission voted 4-1 to allow Atlanta-based Southern Co. to build and operate two new nuclear power reactors at its existing Vogtle nuclear power plant in Georgia. The units will cost Southern and partners about \$14 billion and enter service as soon as 2016 and 2017. **REUTERS**

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A surprising issue has been creeping into the national debate, promising potentially disastrous results for the right: women's health.

Last week was dominated by news of the Komen For The Cure controversy, in which the breast cancer fundraiser's decision to defund women's services provider Planned Parenthood erupted in a firestorm of Internet outrage, culminating

in the resignation of the principal agent behind the politically motivated move.

Now, Republican politicians are making big noise about a mandate, connected to Obama's signature Affordable Care Act, requiring employers to provide preventative care for women. Because the Catholic Church has taken a strong stance against this rule — claiming that their hospitals and universities ought to be uniquely free of the employer requirement — House Speaker John Boehner has promised to kill the "unambiguous attack on religious freedom." Mitt Romney similarly hit Obama for imposing his "secular vision on America," also pledging to block the law. Rick Santorum has even implied that the requirement puts America on the path toward the guillotine, whatever that means. And Tea Party star Sen. Marco Rubio, at this weekend's Conservative Political Action Conference,

"It seems that Republicans are going against the grain here, with majority support for the mandate even among Catholics."

drew loud applause in strongly rebuking the measure.

It does seem, though, that Republicans are going against the grain here, with majority support for the mandate even among Catholics. (One statistic claims 99 percent of American women have made use of contraception. That's a huge voting bloc!)

Beyond that, criticism of this law is simply wrongheaded. For one, the allegedly new mandate has actually been federal law for more than a decade, following a December 2000 ruling by the Equal Em-

ployment Opportunity Commission finding those who refuse to provide such care in violation of the 1964 Civil Rights Act. (Under the EEOC interpretation, if an institution offers preventative care — including men's medications such as Viagra — then it also must offer birth control coverage.)

But more importantly, mandating that employers provide such basic care for employees is no restriction of religious freedom. Catholic hospitals, which employ plenty of non-Catholics, have no religious freedom; Catholics do, and if they don't want to use contraception that is their federally sponsored right.

Republicans have now introduced several bills to restrict women's access to family planning services, including a bill by Rubio that could impact millions of women — or, put another way, millions of voters.

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Winners of the big three

- Dixie Chicks, 2007
- Norah Jones, 2003
- Santana, 2000
- Eric Clapton, 1993
- Natalie Cole (with Nat King Cole), 1992
- Christopher Cross, 1981: Christopher Cross was not only a founder of the yacht rock movement, but he and Norah Jones were the only sweepers who also netted the Best New Artist award the same year they swept the big three.
- Carole King, 1972
- Simon & Garfunkel, 1971

Tune-in

The Grammys air on Sunday at 8 p.m. on CBS.

WEEKEND

RUMOR HAS IT

ADELE IS GOING TO CLEAN UP AT THE GRAMMYS!



Adele's song "Chasing Pavements" was nominated for two of the big three in 2009; but that was her debut, so the only two statues she took home that night were for Best New Artist and Best Female Pop Vocal Performance. Not that this is small change. It's two more Grammys than we have!

► The singer is poised to sweep the big three categories this year — not something which happens very often

► But of course, the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences is not always predictable in approach

Only a handful of artists have been nominated for all of the big three Grammy awards — Record of the Year, Album of the Year and Song of the Year — and even fewer artists sweep those categories. In fact, in the Grammys' 53-year history, the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences has only given eight artists awards for all three in one night. But if ever there was a year where a big three-sweep seemed likely, all eyes will be on Adele on Sunday.

Not only is the British singer nominated for six awards, half of which the big three, but her album "21" just hit No. 1 on the Billboard charts again at the beginning of this month.

Quoted

"I'm excited for Adele. It definitely seems like it's her year. ... But then again, that year when Amy swept everything, everyone thought that Album of the Year was definitely hers."

MARK RONSON, WHO PRODUCED AMY WINEHOUSE'S 2007 BREAKOUT SMASH, "BACK TO BLACK," WHICH MANY EXPECTED TO SWEEP THE BIG THREE AWARDS IN 2008

The album, which has sold upwards of 7.5 million copies — a major feat in the age of the illegal download — has been a crossover hit, resonating with everyone from teens to soccer moms. Sunday night will also mark her first performance since having throat surgery to fix bleeding in her larynx in November.

Bruno Mars was also nominated for all of the big three, but was not favored to win any of the categories. In a Metro poll, 73 percent of readers picked Adele as winning Record of the Year, 54 percent for Album of the Year and 52 percent for Song of the Year.



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Not quite justice for all

A sweep in the big three by Adele is by no means a sure thing. The National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences is nothing if not totally unpredictable. Remember when Justin Bieber first came on the scene in 2010 and was absolutely everywhere by 2011? One of those places was the Best New Artist cate-

gory, where Bieber was defeated by Esperanza Spalding.

► In 2008, Herbie Hancock won the Album of the Year Grammy for "River: The Joni Letters." Not that this isn't a worthy project, but compared to nominations like "Graduation" by Kanye West and "Back to Black" by Amy Winehouse, it certainly was a surprise. That year, Winehouse won Song of the Year and Record of the Year. In an interview with Metro on Thursday,

Winehouse producer Mark Ronson was charitable, saying, "Hancock won, deservedly so."

► In 1988, the first year that the Academy featured a Hard Rock/Metal category, the Grammy went to Jethro Tull. Yup, the band that features a flute as their main instrument won the Hard Rock/Metal award, defeating AC/DC, Iggy Pop, Jane's Addiction and Metallica, whose classic album "...And Justice for All" was favored to win.

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The slow march of death

► After a contemplative start to Season 2, the action picks up as 'The Walking Dead' returns with new episodes on Sunday

Zombies are relatively slow creatures, we get it — they're technically dead, for starters, which severely limits cognitive abilities. But for some fans of "The Walking Dead," the first half of Season 2 moved at a criminally lethargic pace — even for a drama about a small band of humans trying to eek out an existence post-zombie apocalypse. So we sat down with Robert Kirkman, creator of the graphic novel series on which the TV show is based, and executive producer Glen Mazzara, who took on showrunner duties this season, to find out why the survivors have spent so much time hanging out on a farm, and what happens after the devastating events set in motion in the midseason finale.

There was so much chaos in the first season, just in introducing the fact that a zombie apocalypse had occurred. Was it always your intention to make the conflict in Season 2 more internal?

Glen Mazzara: It was important to push in and develop our characters. We really wanted to spend time and examine who these people are and to get to know them. The more fully realized these characters are, the more emotionally damaging it is when we lose them. Hopefully that's the case. These fans love these characters and they get upset, they get pissed off, they get excited, they get afraid for them, and that's something that's very special as that does not happen on most TV shows. The show is about the characters. And if we weren't spending time with them, I don't know if that would be the case. **One of the characters fans love to hate right now is Shane, who has made some shocking choices — particularly when he sparked a massacre at the farm. At this point, is he redeemable?**

GM: Shane is not a villain. He's a guy who makes total sense to us. He's a guy who feels he knows best. Now he's a guy whose baby

is being carried by his best friend's wife — you know, he believes that. Was Shane justified in what he did in the finale? That's an interesting question. He's not necessarily out for his own preservation, so he's an interesting character. Of course he's polarizing, he's dynamic. Jon Bernthal does a great job playing him.

How quickly is the "Was Shane justified?" question addressed as the series returns?

Robert Kirkman: We hit the ground running from minute one. It's pretty much Rick and Shane at odds over what Shane did at the barn.

GM: Shane and Rick present two very different types of leader for the group, and that'll tear at the group for the rest of the season.

That final scene at the barn, which clearly showed the leadership styles of both men, was very poignant.

GM: And that's what we were building to. You know, some people said that the show's slow, it's quieter or more character-based. It was designed to build to that payoff. So I think because that payoff was so successful, that first part of the season was successful.

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► The zombie massacre that took place on the farm in the midseason finale sets up events for the next six episodes. "The Walking Dead" returns Sunday at 9 p.m. on AMC.

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'Comic Book Men'

REALITY. The celebration of geekery is a hallmark of Kevin Smith's career. Along with the guys who work at and visit the filmmaker's comic book shop, Jay and Silent Bob's Secret Stash in Red Bank, N.J., Smith now brings that love of all things "uncool" to reality television with this series, which documents the self-described nerds at work — which, yes, looks like the play of a bunch of 10-year-olds. Series premiere, Sunday, 10 p.m., AMC



► Clockwise from left: Ming, Brian, Walt, Mike and Kevin Smith are "Comic Book Men."

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'Full Metal Jousting'

REALITY. No, you're not watching "Game of Thrones" outtakes. These are modern-day men on horseback — in full suits of armor — slamming into each other with giant rods for a shot at a cash prize. Series premiere, Sunday, 10 p.m., History

'Cupid'

MOVIE. When you think of Cupid, Jamie Kennedy sure doesn't come to mind. But here, "Malibu's Most Wanted" is the god of desire, aiming his arrow at a harried talk-show host (Joely Fisher) and her producer (Roark Critchlow). Saturday, 8 p.m., Hallmark

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Also opening



► Behold! Sith Lord Darth Maul, now basically in your lap in 3-D.

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Hey, we're not going to judge, but given the brutal critical reaction to the first release of "Star Wars: Episode I - The Phantom Menace" we're a little surprised to see the very same film being re-released in 3-D. They might've been more well-advised to CGI Jar Jar Binks out of the thing entirely, but it's certain that at least some "Star Wars" die-hards will be in attendance when the film opens this weekend. METRO

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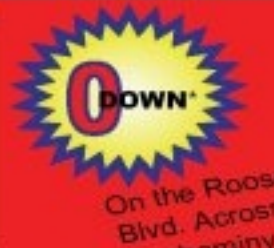
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Channing Tatum: Stripper extraordinaire

► Tatum speaks on his colorful past, the role he almost passed on and why he finally decided to take 'The Vow'

Director Michael Sucsy isn't afraid to admit that Channing Tatum initially passed on his lead role in "The Vow," his new romantic drama — based on a true story — co-starring Rachel McAdams. The film follows Leo and Paige, a couple trying to rebuild after a car accident robs Paige of her memories — including those of her husband. So what was so wrong with the project, according to Tatum?

"When I read the first version of the script, it felt like Leo was just too great. He was too good, too perfect. He was so understanding that I didn't believe him as a real person," Tatum says. "I wish I could say I'd be that understanding," he says. "I think it would be more frustrating."

"I was nervous to meet him, because I didn't want him to hate what I was doing with their story. But they were so positive."

TATUM, ON MEETING THE COUPLE THAT 'THE VOW' IS BASED ON

So how did Sucsy lure his leading man back to the project? They had to make some changes to his character. "We tried to put more frustration in there," he says. "I think you would have to swallow so much, and that's what we were trying to do with Leo."

Of course, they could always

refer back to Kim and Krickett Carpenter, the real-life couple on whose story "The Vow" is based. "I was worried," Tatum says of meeting the couple. "I was nervous to meet him, because I didn't want him to hate what I was doing with their story. But they were so positive."

Speaking of real-life situations, part of Tatum's own life will be hitting theaters later this year with Steven Soderbergh's "Magic Mike," which the actor co-wrote, focusing on a particularly revealing part of his young life. "I was a stripper for about eight months between 18 and 19 years of age in Florida," Tatum says. "It's a part of my life that I'm not so proud of, but I'm not ashamed of it. If anything, I will stand by it be-



► Channing Tatum and Rachel McAdams show off their steamy chemistry in "The Vow."

cause it was one of the most pivotal parts of my entire life."

It's also the kind of personal history most A-list stars would try to cover up — something Tatum admits he was pressured to do at first. "[My publicist] was like, 'No, no, no, we're not saying anything about it,'" he says. "I'm like, 'Look, it's going to come out. We should just say

it, because I'm not ashamed of it. We should talk about this because I think it's hilarious, and I'm not afraid to talk about it.' I will tell you, though, after the film comes out I will never talk about it again."



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An acting career likely wouldn't have happened for Channing Tatum if it hadn't been for one visionary director. After infamously working as a male stripper, Tatum headed to New York to be a model, which got old fast, to hear him tell it.

Luckily, one particular gig popped up. "I just fell into this Pepsi commercial that was directed by Tarsem [Singh], and it was such a fun experience. You actually got to put something into it," he remembers. "With modeling, you're just sort of there, you know? And you're just like a mannequin doing things. ... It was really stale to me. And when I got to do that one commercial, I was like, 'Wow, I get to really do something. This is interesting.' I walked into a workshop the very next week and ... I fell in love with it. It was one of those moments when I was like, 'Oh my God, this is everything I've ever wanted to do.'"

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Reviews

'Safe House'

Grade: **000000**

Here's the premise: Highly trained CIA agent Tobin Frost (Denzel Washington) goes rogue by selling intelligence to enemies of the United States. Wanted for treason for 11 years, he suddenly turns himself in at the Cape Town, South Africa, U.S. Embassy. Why he did it isn't clear, but after a break-in at the safe house where he's held captive with a rookie agent (Ryan Reynolds), it seems that Frost isn't the only one into covert operations.

Though nimble in it's pacing, "Safe House" peddles the same message that always seems to surface in these spy thrillers. We don't really have to explain it. You'll see twist coming about 30 minutes into the film anyway. But "Safe House" is a dizzying ride. One unique aspect to the film is the setting of Cape Town, in which the sparkling coastal city and the impoverished districts that



► Reynolds and Washington

surround it are given an equal amount of scrutiny. But we found ourselves wanting to explore those shanty towns rather than continue to follow Washington and Reynolds on their crazy-violent mission. **HEIDI PATALANO**

'Journey 2: The Mysterious Island'

Grade: **000000**

A follow-up to 2008's "Journey to the Center of the Earth," "Journey 2" takes an effects-laden three-dimensional look at Jules Verne's "The Mysterious Island" — a world full of dwarf elephants and mule-sized bumblebees. This formulaic family fare draws on youthful adventure, but Dwayne Johnson's annoying pec-popping still won't keep the sinking "Mysterious Island" afloat for discerning moviegoers. **STEVE GOW**



'The Vow'

Grade: **000000**

Rachel McAdams can carry an entire movie on her back, no matter how many times this script goes off the rails and into Lifetime movie territory. It's impossible to dislike her, and that's what grounds "The Vow" when Channing Tatum, all muscle and pouty lips, struts off a J.Crew catalog shoot and into a scene. He's so much of a beefcake, it's distracting. But this is actually a sweet story about a woman's quest to remember her life as it was before a car accident renders her an amnesiac. For a film that lies smack dab in the middle of cornball country, there aren't many gimmicks here.

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'Tonic' to induce a trip

► Expect a 'transcendent experience' from rocker and composer Steven Mackey at his upcoming PCO concerts

Composer Steven Mackey is a self-professed prog rocker. The Princeton University professor proudly declares that King Crimson and Yes are among his greatest influences. He even plays in the prog-ish metal band, Big Farm, with famed playwright and opera singer Rinde Eckert.

But Mackey is far better known for his classical compositions, which have been performed around the world and have garnered multiple Grammy Awards.

His latest — "Tonic," a commission by the Philadelphia Chamber Orchestra — debuts

Sunday at the Kimmel Center's Perelman Theater. And Mackey feels the work is just as accessible to the Tool-Rush-Procol Harum crowd as the Mahler-List-Mozart subscriber base of the PCO.

"I grew up in the '70s. Music to me was you put on headphones at 1 a.m., you put on some colored lights, burned some incense and you let it take you on a trip," says Mackey with a chuckle. "And that's what I'm still doing. I encourage people to think of it that way. Just because some people are dressed up, and there's all the formality, it's still

about finding a transcendent experience."

Conducted by PCO's Dirk Brosse, "Tonic" promises to use the full breadth of the chamber orchestra with "painterly strokes," as Mackey puts it.

"I'm trying to use the whole orchestra as a canvas in a way I haven't before. It's a blended sound," explains Mackey. "I think of this 'Tonic' as being invigorating to the soul. The harmonies sort of feel like you're clenching your fist, but it's an invigorating tension."



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A love story as sweet as their desserts

What started as a solo operation in Dawn Casale's apartment led to a full-fledged business — and to her meeting the love of her life.

One Girl Cookies, the Brooklyn bakeshop that prides itself on unique treats like espresso caramel squares and banana whoopee pies, is the focus of the cookbook Dawn just released with her husband and business partner, David Crofton. We spoke with the duo — who just opened their second shop in Brooklyn — about their love for sweets and each other: Valentine's Day is coming, after all!

I hear you guys have a cute "how we met" story.

Dawn: It's a good story. I had started the business out of my apartment, and as the business began to grow I realized that I did need some help, especially somebody who had actually been trained in production baking. I started to put the feelers out, and our friend [recommended Dave]. So I called Dave and we set up a time to meet. We had a little interview and hit it off, so I hired him. It was going really well and the Christmas season came and we were working together for many hours and still wanting to go get a bite to eat afterward. There was definitely some flirtation happening, but we were still keeping it professional. Then Dave decided that he wanted to explore the



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world of restaurants, and so he left One Girl Cookies and opened a restaurant. That kind of was the end of it for that time, and we still spoke but the romance sort of fizzled —

Dave: But there had been no romance up at that [point]. Dawn: Well, flirting I guess. And [two weeks later] he called me and said, "I hate my job and I want to come back to One Girl Cookies," so he did and then we just kind of went from there — we started dating and then moved in together into the neighborhood where we opened up our shop.

So there wasn't one night, late in the bakeshop, when things took a romantic turn?

Dawn: Well, even before he left

there was a lot of flirting. I would say, "Oh, my apron's undone and my hands are dirty, could you tie my apron?" And we were spending lots of time together so it was pretty clear there was an attraction. When he came back, even though it was unspoken, I think it was like, "OK, this can move forward both professionally and personally now."

Dave: That's not true at all! We did have a night — we were out playing pool with her friends, and they all left, and we were still there, and Dawn had her mojo going and I couldn't resist.

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Today, Patton Oswalt is taking responsibility, Olivia Wilde is getting ready to say goodbye, Aimee Mann is becoming a couch potato and Matthew Lucas is impressed with a newspaper's resourcefulness.

@pattonoswalt

Three days after I was born, The Beatles played their last concert (1/30/69). My bad.

@oliviawilde

House lovers, it's the end of an era. Shows like that don't happen, well, ever. I'm honored to have been a part of such a brilliant story.

@aimeemann

Tonight, I'm staying in and proving to myself that I really will watch just about anything on tv.

@RealMattLucas

Huge congratulations to The Daily Star for making up an interview with me today.



Mann

THE WORD



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Lindsay Lohan

Christina Aguilera

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Let's wave goodbye to the blond weave

Well, that's it. By appearing at an amfAR gala on Wednesday night in New York City with that rug on her head, **Lindsay Lohan** has officially killed the blond, wavy weave look. But is that such a bad thing? The blond weave has had a good run. (How good did 52-year-old **Madonna** look with one while performing at Sunday night's Super Bowl?) But the look — it's getting a bit tired, no? Like, we get it: You're a human Barbie doll, good for you. Take a gander at a few more offenders who we think could stand an update.



Jessica Simpson

Rihanna and Chris Brown back at the Grammys

Three years ago, **Chris Brown** brutally assaulted his then-girlfriend, pop star **Rihanna**, the night before the Grammy Awards. This Sunday will be the first time since then that both singers will attend and perform at the event.

It will be very interesting to see how the red carpet emcees, cameramen, and even Rihanna and Chris Brown will treat their proximity. Will there be mention of it? Will the Grammys try to exploit it for some much-needed excitement? I have a feeling it will be swept under the rug, and no mention of it will be made. But I've been wrong before, hence this giant "**Katy and Russell 4-Eva**" tattoo on my thigh.

Talking points

Brand and Perry: It's officially ovah

Well, that was fast. **Katy Perry** has signed **Russell Brand**'s divorce settlement, reaching an agreement to end their 14-month marriage, according to TMZ. "The parties have entered into a comprehensive written settlement of all issues, including, without limitation, with respect to the property to be confirmed or assigned to each party," the document reads, outlining that Brand isn't after any of Perry's money. The former couple insisted their split was amicable, and that's certainly the case if Perry's signature is any indication: She signed the divorce settlement with a little smiley face next to her name.

Courtney Cox can't get a date

Courtney Cox hasn't been having much luck in the romance department since her split from husband **David Arquette**, she admits in an interview with **Howard Stern**. "No guy's asked me out. I'm not saying I'm not ready to have a make-out session, but it just makes me nervous. I don't like to go out in general," she says. "I have sexual feelings, and there's ways to deal with that." But Cox admits that dating needs to make its way to the top of her agenda: "It's time for me to get out there. It's not easy to meet people. They don't call me," she explains.

A new lady for Efron?

Zac Efron and "Mirror Mirror" star **Lily Collins** were spotted attending a birthday party for a



► Efron

pal of Efron's together at L.A. restaurant STK recently, prompting speculation that the young actors are now an item, according to People magazine. "They even walked in holding hands," a source says. "They had a drink at the bar together and then joined the birthday crew on the patio." That same night, though, Efron hit up nightclub Lexington Social House to hang out with **Miley Cyrus**.



► Collins

'Blue Ivy Carter' is now trademarked

Blue Ivy Carter, the 1-month-old daughter of **Jay-Z** and **Beyonce**, is set to be a household name, so naturally her parents felt the need to trademark it. In late January, the couple filed an application at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to prevent Blue Ivy's name from being used, according to the Washington Post. And

they weren't just being paranoid, as the office had already received — and denied — multiple applications for trademarks using the baby's name, including a fashion design entrepreneur and a fragrance company. Both were rejected, with the office citing that the name belongs "to a very famous infant."

No boobs to expose on the mountain

Justin Timberlake reportedly skipped the Super Bowl to celebrate his 31st birthday with a weekend of skiing in British Columbia, Canada, according to the Calgary Herald. "One of our employees had quite the interesting experience. It was one of those 'no way, no way, that's not him' moments," the owner of a local ski shop tells the newspaper. "He was smaller than [we] thought. And he was going around with a bit of a beard."

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Posing with their Grammys

1. Does it sound like the ocean? Sting with his Grammy after winning for Best Male Pop Vocal Performance for "Brand New Day" at the Grammy Awards in Los Angeles in 2000.

2. Oh, baby! Chris Rock tossed his Grammy in 1998 after winning it for Best Spoken Comedy Album.

3. Norah Jones dropped one of her five Grammy statues in 2003 in New York City.

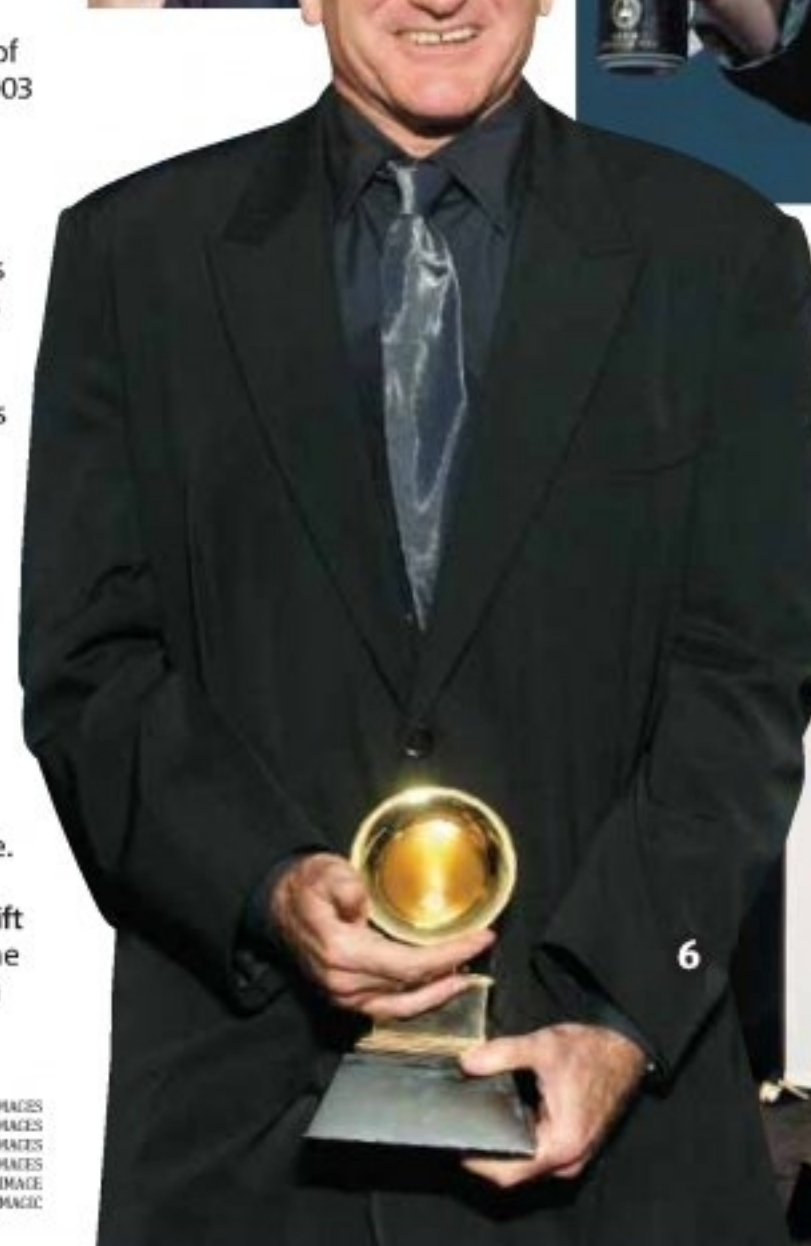
4. U2 frontman Bono stacked his Grammy Award with a Guinness Stout (which one was better, Bono?) backstage at the Grammy Awards in Los Angeles in 2001.

5. Rapper T-Pain showed his affection for his statue in the press room in Los Angeles in 2008.

6. After winning a Grammy for Best Spoken Comedy Album for "Robin Williams - Live 2002," Williams held his award in a very strategic place.

7. Uh-oh! Musician Taylor Swift pulled a Norah Jones when she dropped one of her awards in 2010.

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Corporations have a history of neglect

RE: "COMPANIES WANT TO KEEP OUR BUSINESS": Kelly Donnoe repeats the old laissez-faire myth that businesses can be trusted not to harm their customers or the community. Sometimes they do no harm, but history shows that many times they take shortcuts.

HARRY THORN, PHILADELPHIA

Marriage equality is a moral imperative

The reason some decry the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling to overturn California's ban on gay marriage is the very reason to applaud the decision. The court reversed a voter referendum on same-sex marriage, and in doing so circumvented "the will of the people," according to some. However, I'm thankful that the court

recognized that marriage equality is not a matter of personal opinion but is in fact a moral imperative.

DAVID TERHUNE, VIA E-MAIL

"Republicans don't want religious freedom; Republicans want religious authoritarianism!"

RE: "BOEHNER VOWS TO BLOCK OBAMA CONTRACEPTIVE RULE": Mr. Boehner, the substance of the Affordable Care Act has been completely distorted by Republican critics. The provision in the act that grants contraception to millions of women at no cost is a common-sense guarantee, a cost-saving provision that provides all women with the

empowerment to plan their families. It does not force individuals to buy or use contraception, not does it cover drugs that cause abortion. Studies have shown that most women, including 98 percent of Catholic women, have used contraception. These women will remember when they vote on Nov. 6.

CHRISTIANE GEISLER, CENTER CITY

So now contraception for women is an assault on the freedom of conscience? Whoa, taking a deep breath. Is this a homemade version of a Republican Sharia law, or is America stuck in a time machine that only goes back and back and back? Note to the president: Women are not asking for free contraception, just that it be available and affordable, but thank you anyway and enjoy

your second term.

SUZY SANDOR, VIA E-MAIL

As a born and raised Catholic, I feel obligated to speak out against the Church on this birth control issue. Some are saying that the president has "overreached" his authority and that he is infringing on the rights of the Catholic Church. It needs to be said: The Catholic Church does not have any rights! People have rights. And the Church does not have the authority to impose its faith on any people. People have the right to practice their faith, but their faith can never diminish people's rights.

MARTIN LETENDRE, VIA E-MAIL

Republicans completely disregard the religion of the individual by removing our freedom to obtain contraception from hospitals and schools that wish to use their religion to take control of our bodies. Republicans don't want religious freedom; Republicans want religious authoritarianism!

ARTHUR BLENHEIM, VIA E-MAIL

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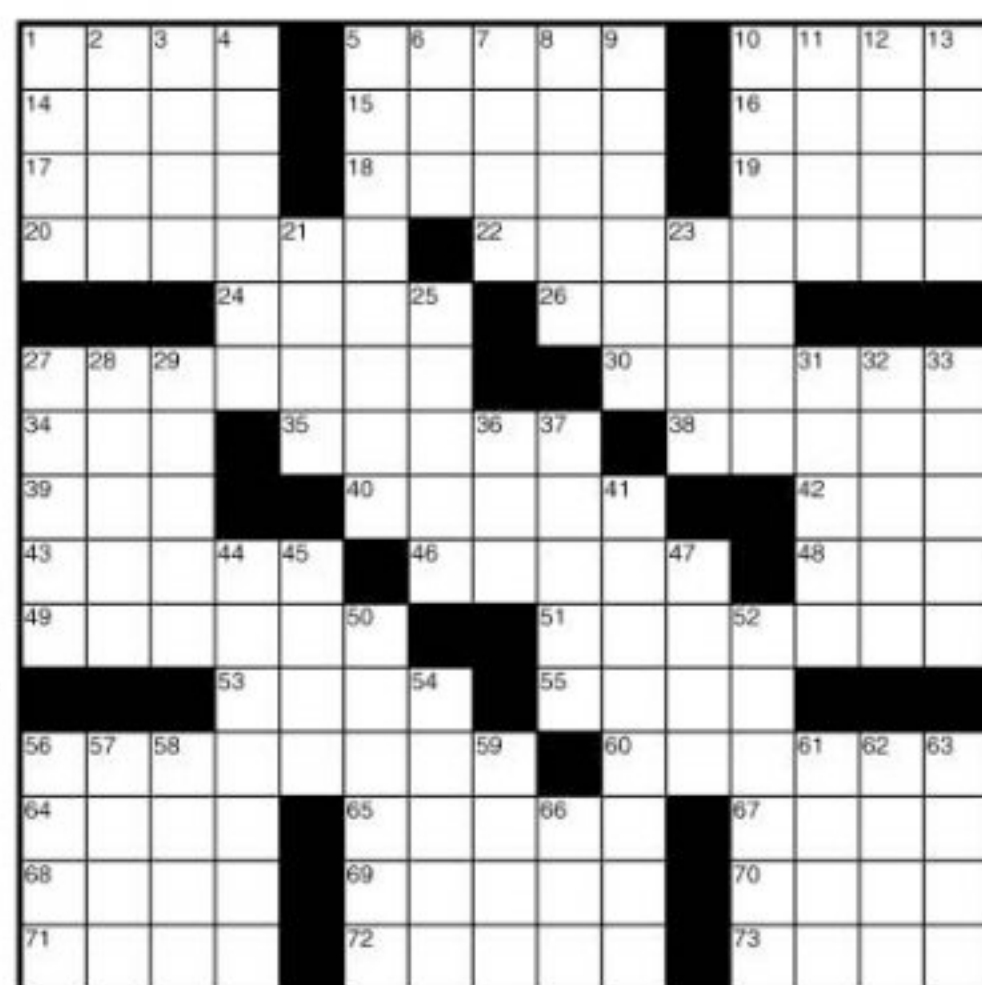
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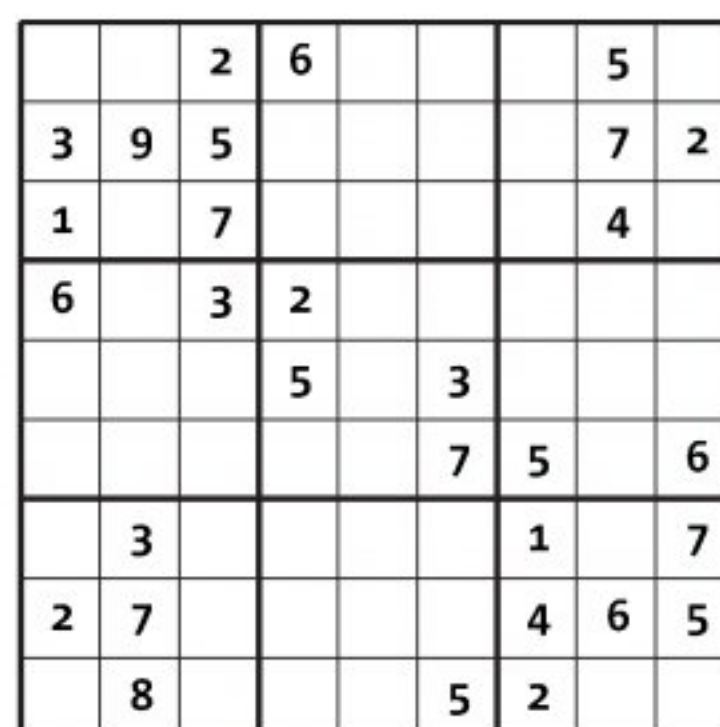


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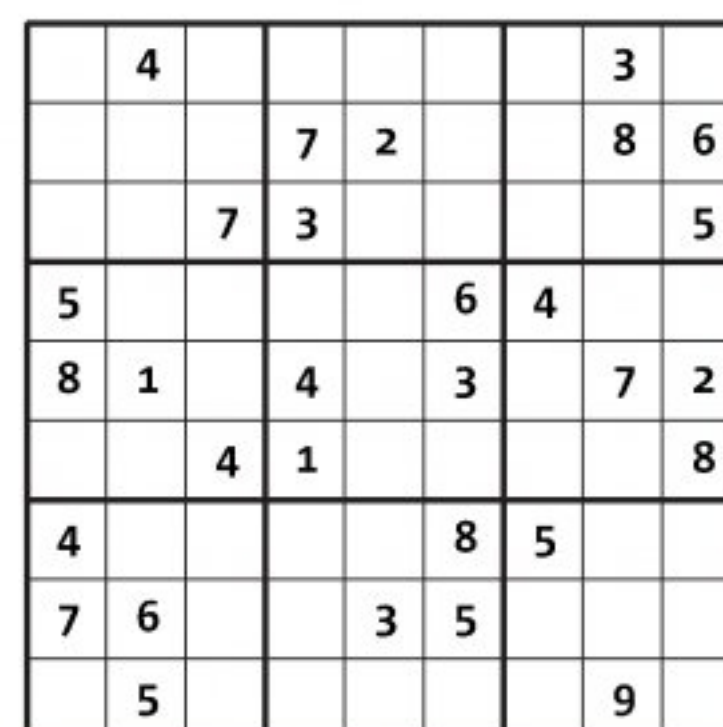
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Karaoke is for lovers

▶ The third annual 69 Love Songs Cover Show invites Philly to belt out Stephin Merritt's entire album

American singer-songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Stephin Merritt is to indie-pop music as Bruce Springsteen is to radio-rock. In other words, he's very important. Though no one has ever referred to him as "The Boss," the title would be appropriate.

In 1989, Merritt's band, The Magnetic Fields, began crafting charming sonic worlds brimming with equal parts bitterness, existential dread and hyper-romanticism on classic albums like "The Charm of the Highway Strip," "Get Lost" and "I." But the Boston-born group's most absurd, self-indulgent and celebrated album is "69 Love Songs," for which Merritt did

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"It's a fitting Valentine's Day

"It's more about the love of the record than about skill. It's been a giant love fest in the past and this year will be similar."

EVENT CO-FOUNDER
SAM ALLINGHAM

album because it's cranky and cantankerous," says event co-founder Sam Allingham, a first-year student in Temple University's creative writing MFA program. "But it's a total romantic's record, too," he continues. "People have very strong romantic associations with it."

With songs such as "Absolutely Cuckoo," "I'm Sorry I Love You," and "I Think I Need A New Heart," the night is as gleeful and dreamy as it is silly and lovelorn. "We hope for a superwide range of talent," Allingham says about the singers. "It's more about the love of the record than about skill. It's been a giant love fest in the past and this year will



▶ Stephin Merritt sang "69 Love Songs" — but you only have to knock out one.

be similar."

And, believe it or not, they made it through all 69 songs the past two years. "It takes until 1 in the morning some-

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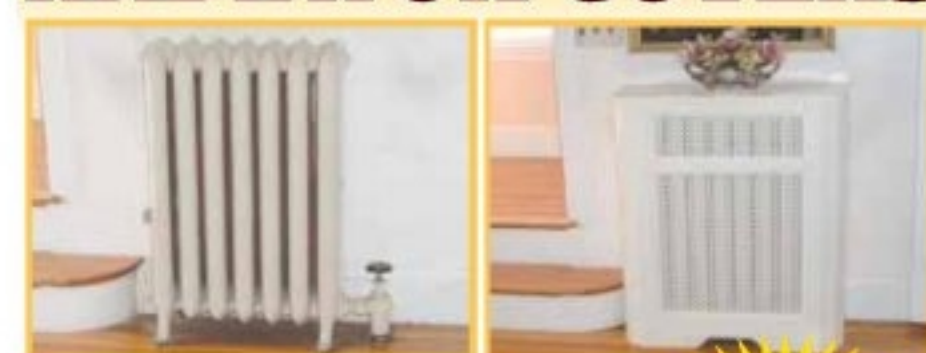
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A different take on TEQUILA

- Put down the shot glass, frat boy
- Learn how to drink tequila like a sophisticate
- Five interesting facts about the infamous spirit

There is way more to tequila than just sloshing it in a shot glass and slamming it down. The folks at Tequila Herradura, who produce 100 percent blue agave tequila in the heart of Mexico's tequila region, were kind enough to relay to Metro five interesting facts about the spirit. Now you can enjoy tequila the way it was meant to be enjoyed — like a sophisticate and not a frat boy.

1 The traditional way to drink tequila is to use a tall, narrow glass called a "ca-ballito," which means "little horse" or "pony." It also goes by the name of "tequilito."

2 It takes eight to 12 years for the blue

agave plant to mature. Each plant weighs between 40 and 70 pounds, and it takes approximately 16 pounds of agave to produce 1 liter of pure tequila.

3 The taste of tequila varies by region. Tequila from the Jalisco lowlands, like Tequila Herradura, is determined not only by its aging time in white oak barrels: It also acquires its taste from the volcanic soil of the region, which imparts a spicier and earthier quality.

4 There are two schools of thought on the predecessor of the famous margarita cocktail. The first is the drink called tequila daisy, which may have made its

first appearance in the later half of the 19th century, when other types of daisies were common in Mexico and southwestern U.S. The Spanish word for daisy is "margarita." The second is the sidecar or picador cocktail, which was created in the years following WWI when tequila became quite popular in England. The ingredients of the sidecar are very similar to those of the margarita, while the picador's recipe is an exact match of the famous margarita.

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Four senses

To truly experience tequila, use four senses:

► **Sight:** Look at the tequila you are drinking through the glass. Note the color. The color suggests the amount of wood imparted by barreling and hints of its complexity.

► **Smell:** The sense of smell is a vital part of the enjoyment of Tequila Herradura. Hold the glass an inch or so from the nose. There are three distinct places in the glass to sniff: bottom, center and top.

► **Taste:** This limited sense can only perceive five sensations: sweet, bitter, salty, sour and umami (earthiness). Sip a small amount of tequila, hold it in your mouth for about 10 seconds, move it around and gently suck in air to bring the aromas up to the nose. Breathe out through the nose before swallowing.

► **Touch:** Perceptions of touch are experienced in the mouth. When tequila is harsh, it produces a bite or a sensation of warmth; when smooth, the tongue feels a velvety softness.



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On the table: Valentine's Day

► No matter where you go on Feb. 14, it's going to be almost as crowded as it is expensive ► If you must dine out, choose wisely ► Our tips on restaurants for those looking to impress (and even one cheap date option)

Paramour at the Wayne Hotel

139 E. Lancaster Ave.

www.paramourwayne.com

What it costs: \$329 per couple, plus the cost of dinner

Why it's worth it: You don't have to drive home. The Wayne Hotel's overnight Valentine's Day package includes a king superior room with late check-out, roses, wine, chocolates and a \$50 gift card to their Paramour restaurant, along with a guaranteed reservation.

Amada

217-219 Chestnut St.

www.amadarestaurant.com

What it costs: \$60 or \$75 per person

Why it's worth it: Even on the busiest night of the year, Amada is unlikely to miss a step. The four-course menu stars dishes such as truffled gratin and lobster with blood orange.

Vedge

1221 Locust St.

www.vedgerestaurant.com

What it costs: \$50 per person; \$75 with wine pairings

Why it's worth it: This four-

Or, do brunch

Valanni

1229 Spruce St.

www.valanni.com

What it costs: \$38 per person

Why it's worth it: Valanni is celebrating early with a pre-Valentine's brunch on Feb. 12. With three courses paired with three champagne cocktails, it will totally get you out of the holiday proper.

course vegan menu ends with egg-less, cream-less red velvet cake with white chocolate frosting — and that's not easy to pull off.

Lolita

106 S. 13th St.

www.lolitafood.com

What it costs: \$45 per person

Why it's worth it: Lolita is BYOB, so the \$45 price tag is pretty close to what you'll pay for three courses of modern Mexican dishes such as mushroom enchiladas verdes and ancho chile-laced pecan cheesecake.

Square 1682

121 S. 17th St.

www.square1682.com

What it costs: \$65 per person

Why it's worth it: This one is six courses, so there's no way you're going to leave hungry — especially with dishes such as Peking duck breast with cannellini bean cassoulet and Spanish chorizo. If you're drinking, the \$100 wine pairing option is a Feb. 14 steal.

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Cheap date!

If you're not trying to impress her, Qdoba restaurants are offering couples buy-one-get-one entrees on Tuesday. No coupon is required, but you will have to kiss one another to get the deal.



► Square 1682 has a hearty Valentine's Day menu.

Music

Making Time: Valentime Party

Friday, 9 p.m. to 3:30 a.m.

Voyeur

1221 St. James St., \$10-\$15

www.igetrvg.com

The Making Time DJs and live guests Dum Dum Girls and Veronica Falls are sending out the love at this party complete with what we're promised are super-cute decorations. Before you go, fill out a Valentine card and send it off in Making Time dropboxes at Ultimo (15th and Mifflin streets), One Shot (217 W. George St.), Barbarella (951 Frankford Ave.), Last Drop (13th and Pine streets) or Voyeur (1221 St. James St.). For every card collected, they'll donate \$1 to Musicopia, a nonprofit working to improve music education in Philadelphia schools.



► The Dum Dum Girls play Making Time this weekend.

The rundown

MUSIC

Umphey's McGee
with Work Drugs
Saturday, 8:30 p.m.
\$25, The Electric Factory
www.ticketmaster.com

This Will Destroy You
with Mountains
Friday, 7:30 p.m.
\$12, First Unitarian Church
www.r5productions.com

Javier Colon
with Ernie Halter
Friday, 8 p.m.
\$30-\$40, The Keswick Theatre
www.ticketmaster.com

The Summer Set
with The Cab
Saturday, 6:30 p.m.

\$15, Union Transfer
www.utphilly.com

Mates of State
with Sean Bones
Thursday, 8:30 p.m.
\$15, Union Transfer
www.utphilly.com

VALENTINE'S DAY

'Blue Valentine' Party
Tuesday, 8 p.m.
\$3, The Trocadero
www.thetroc.com
It's not the most romantic movie to screen for Valentine's Day, but

Ticket reminder

Tickets to Madonna's Aug. 28 show at the Wells Fargo Center — which kicks off her 2012 tour — go on sale Monday at 10 a.m. Visit www.comcasttix.com or call 1-800-298-4200.

that's not really the point at this party that includes candygrams, a dating horror story showdown and art projects. The \$3 admission goes toward a drink.

'I Love You, I Hate You'
Monday, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
\$10, Chris' Jazz Cafe
1421 Sansom St.
www.azukatheatre.org
Azuka Theatre presents a live reading of City Paper's infamous "I Love You, I Hate You" reader submissions. Bar specials include \$2 select pints and \$3 select shots.

'Love Stories of Laurel Hill'
Saturday, 1 p.m.
\$18-\$20, Laurel Hill Cemetery
3822 Ridge Ave.
www.thelaurelhillemetery.org
Laurel Hill's Valentine's cemetery tour visits residents whose pasts include notable love stories. A toasty fire, wine, beer, cheese and chocolate follow.

Flyers win, bust slump

► Orange and Black beat Maple Leafs to end three-game losing streak ► Hartnell notches Gordie Howe hat trick ► Bobrovsky starts in place of ill Bryzgalov, makes 24 saves in net

The last time Scott Hartnell scored, it was a natural hat trick in the second period of a heartbreaking loss to Boston. On Thursday night, his Gordie Howe hat trick led the Flyers to a 4-3 victory over Toronto.

Hartnell, the Flyers' leading goal-scorer, kicked off the scoring at 14:38 of the first period when he avoided a pesky Dion Phaneuf, turned and shot the puck behind Toronto goaltender James Reimer for his 26th goal of the year. He celebrated by promptly dropping

ping the gloves and fighting Phaneuf.

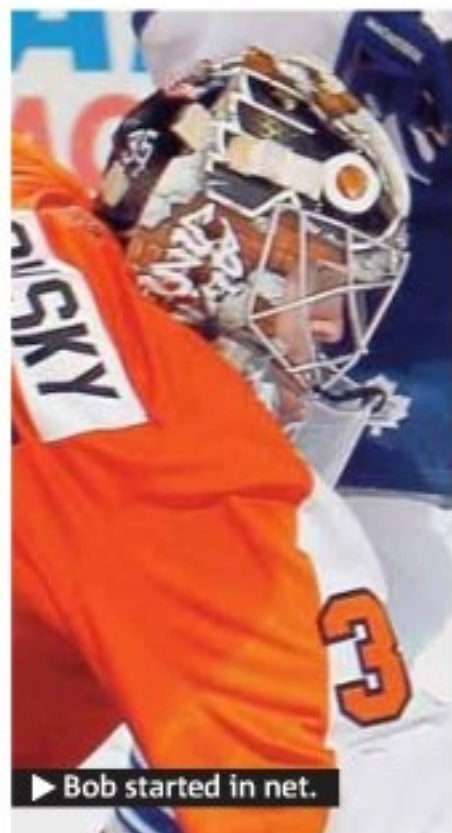
"I thought I got a cheap shot there right before that, going into the boards," Hartnell said, "but I'll take the five minutes and the goal for sure."

He added an assist on a Claude Giroux goal in the second period to complete the Gordie Howe hat trick — a goal, an assist and a fight. Giroux had been in a slump, scoring only one empty-net goal since the Winter Classic.

Sergei Bobrovsky made 24 saves in the start in lieu of Ilya Bryzgalov, who was sent home with the flu. Flyers GM Paul Holmgren didn't rule out the possibility of Bryzgalov returning for Saturday's game.

Hartnell's line, with Giroux and Jaromir Jagr, accounted for two goals and four points.

"Anytime you can get a Gordie — it doesn't happen too often — I'll definitely take it, but a win is always more important," Hartnell said. "Everything is tightening up here in the standings. Teams below us are winning. The Rangers are winning almost every night, so we need these points."



► Bob started in net.

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Three things ...

What we saw, heard:

1 Last weekend in New York, the Rangers wore their Winter Classic jerseys versus the Flyers. On Saturday, the Flyers will wear theirs against the visiting Rangers. No word on if the Flyers will begin using it as an alternate jersey the rest of the season.

2 Ilya Bryzgalov was sent home with the flu, so Justin Musciano, a 27-year-old Drexel Hill native — and concessions manager over at Citizens Bank Park — stood in at the morning skate. He was there already playing an early morning hockey game with Flyers president Peter Luukko.

3 Brayden Schenn notched his sixth goal of the season against his brother Luke's team. There have been trade rumors about Luke coming here, although a report from TSN says that Toronto GM Brian Burke has no intention of trading Schenn.



► Hartnell got the Gordie Howe hat trick Thursday night.

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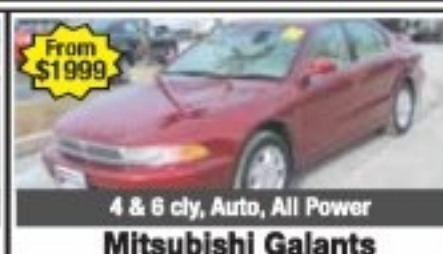
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Everyone wants to know what's stopping Jake?

► Voracek still trying to reach full potential ► Flyers left winger on pace to surpass career-best 16 goals, but fans want more ► And so does Jake

Don't call him Jake the Snake-bitten.

Still only 22, despite already being in his fourth season, Flyers left winger Jake Voracek is convinced his time will soon be here. Which will only make the trade that brought him and rookie sensation Sean Couturier here from Columbus for Jeff Carter look that much better.

"I don't get frustrated," said Voracek, who prefers Jake over his Czech name, Jakub. "I just keep working hard and I'm sure it's gonna come. When you get traded for Jeff Carter, a 40-goal scorer, you know Homer [GM Paul Holmgren] did that for a reason."

Voracek occasionally has flashed the potential that



► Voracek was taken in the same draft as James van Riemsdyk.

made him the No. 7 pick in the 2007 draft. Still, many wonder what's holding him back? When he keeps missing the net from point-blank range or getting robbed by goalies making spectacular saves, can it all be bad luck?

"I think I have good speed

and I'm strong on the boards," said Voracek who could surpass his career-best 16 goals and 50 points set back in 2010. "I can work in the summer on my shot, on the placement."

"You never know what can happen, but my game has always been to look for the pass

and try to set up a goal. I don't put pressure on myself. I try to play my game and I know if I play my game I'll be helpful to the team."

Voracek has proven to be a smooth puck-handler, with the speed to initiate the attack, yet a player who isn't afraid to use his strength to bang opponents around. It just hasn't translated onto the score sheet.

"Hopefully, there's a lot more to come," said Voracek. "But to be a point-per-game player you have to make points on a consistent basis. That's what I'm missing. I can do better."

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Dre Day: Iguodala earns ticket to All-Star game

► Sixers swingman picked for the Eastern Conference squad ► First-time selection for eight-year vet ► Turner (Meeks?) also heading to Orlando

Statistically speaking, Andre Iguodala has had better seasons. And the Sixers' swingman has never been on a team this successful.

So it's only fitting that Iguodala was rewarded for his team's 18-8 start as he was named to the Eastern Conference All-Star team Thursday night. It's the first All-Star appearance for the eight-year veteran, even though he's averaging just 12.9 points per game, his lowest mark since 2005-06.

Iguodala acknowledged that the Sixers' turnaround has a lot to do with the honor.

"That would be almost common sense," Iguodala said before the teams were announced Wednesday. "But sometimes, everyone doesn't have common sense."

Iguodala was selected over other Eastern Conference "snubs" like Josh Smith, Rajon Rondo, Danny Granger, Brandon Jennings and teammate Lou Williams.

"We feel 'Dre's one of the best all-around forwards in the game," coach Doug Collins



► Iguodala will head to the All-Star Game on Feb. 26.

said Wednesday. "It'll really be a sorry thing if we're [18-8] and somebody on our team doesn't get recognized in that All-Star game."

Iguodala won't be the only one in Orlando for the last weekend in February. Evan Turner was selected to the Rising

Stars Challenge as one of the top-9, second-year players. And Jodie Meeks is cautiously optimistic that he'll be invited to compete in the three-point shootout for the first time.

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Andre Iguodala

Sixers center still missing

Spencer Hawes did not practice on Thursday as he continues to battle Achilles tendon and back woes. Although he's merely listed as "day to day," it would be a surprise if he plays Friday against the L.A. Clippers.

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